

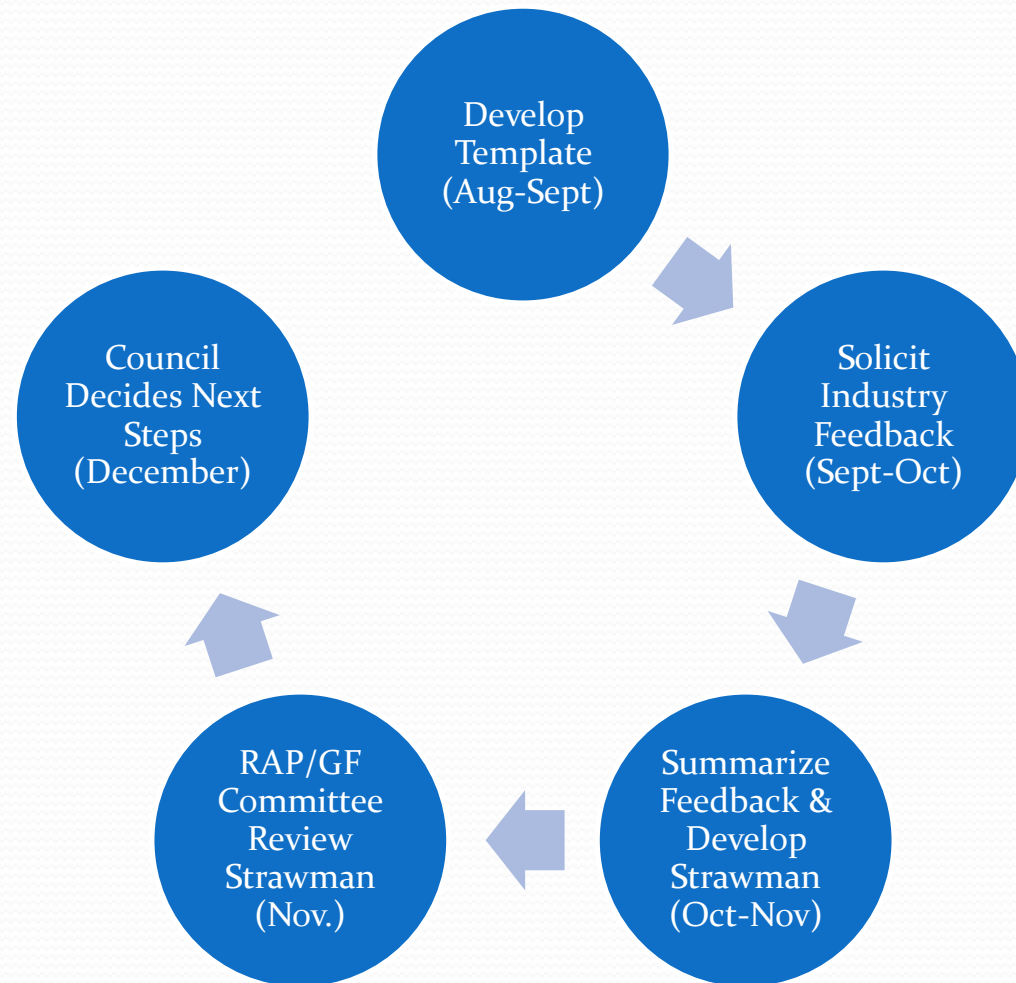
NEFMC Limited Entry Program – Recreational Party/Charter Fishery

Presentation to the Groundfish Committee
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Purpose and Scope

- Purpose: Address a 2020 Council priority to develop a strawman limited entry program to solicit feedback from the Party/Charter (P/C) fishery.
- Scope: Recreational for-hire groundfish fishing industry in New England (i.e. current and potential NE Multispecies permit holders – open access)

Process and Schedule



Roles

- Jamie Cournane – Council staffer
- Jessica Joyce– Project Manager (Tidal Bay Consulting)
- Project team:
 - Provide input into development of the template and outreach methods/contacts
 - Review and provide feedback on the draft template
 - Potentially provide analysis requested by industry members as they complete the template
 - Support (as needed) in finalizing the strawman
- Recreational Advisory Panel:
 - Provide input into development of the template
 - Make a recommendation to the GF Committee

Template Development

- What are the key **elements** to the template?
 - Drawing from the 2019 NEFMC listening sessions
- What **format** should the template be?
- What are the ideal outreach **methods** to solicit feedback?

Outreach – Rec Limited Entry

- To learn from others (within and outside the NE region) who have developed similar programs, we developed a list of contacts:
 - Ava Lassiter (Gulf of Mexico – Reef Fish/Red Snapper)
 - Laura Hansen (Mid-Atlantic – Tilefish)
 - Kurt Iverson (Alaska – Halibut)
 - Tobey Curtis (Atlantic - Highly Migratory Species)
 - Rich Balouskus/Jason McNamee (Rhode Island – For-Hire Fluke Sector)
- Any other contacts?

Next Steps

- Develop draft template
 - → distribute to project team for review
 - → finalize for industry feedback
- Develop an outreach plan, including distribution methods (e.g. email, webinar, phone calls, etc.) and contact list.